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September 16, 2019

Dr. Gregory Adkins, Superintendent Lee County School District 2855 Colonial Boulevard Fort Myers, Florida 33966-1012

Dear Superintendent Adkins:

Re: Auditor General Operational Audit Report No. 2019-026 Impact Fee Finding

Thank you for submitting documentation to support the use of 2016-17 impact fees, as requested in Mr. Eggers' December 11, 2018, email. Based on our review, the documents and analysis substantiate that the amount of \$13,564,574 in impact fees was expended in the 2016-17 fiscal year for debt service associated with schools that, at the time of construction, were constructed to accommodate student enrollment growth. No further action is necessary in regard to this audit finding. Please note that the district cannot apply additional impact fees retroactively for expenditures paid with other revenue sources.

Sincerely,

Suzanne Pridgeon

**SP/II** 

cc: Gwynetta Gittens, Chair, Lee County School Board

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